

STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS

CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION*

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OFFICIAL NOTICES

Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Council of the California Medical Association will be held in the offices of the Association, Room 2004, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco, on Saturday, January 31, 1931.

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Proposed Amendment to Constitution

Second of two required publications of proposed amendment introduced at House of Delegates meeting 1930, to be voted upon by the House of Delegates, 1931 session.

Amend Article X, Section 11 of the Constitution, to read as follows:

"The Council, at the organization meeting thereof, shall elect a chairman, a vice-chairman, a secretary-treasurer, an editor and, in its discretion, one or more associate editors, each to serve for the term of one year. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the same person holding at the same time both the office of secretary-treasurer and the office of editor; but neither the secretary-treasurer nor editor shall hold any other office in the California Medical Association."

COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

ALAMEDA COUNTY

The Alameda County Medical Association held its regular meeting at Highland Hospital, September 15, at 8:15 p. m. The clinical evening offered by the staff of Highland Hospital, at which hospital cases are demonstrated, is an annual event to which the association looks forward with keen interest. Doctor McVey opened the program with a discussion of Banti's disease, presenting in the course of his discussion three cases illustrating the disease at various stages. Emphasis was laid on the fact that splenectomy should be done without delay as soon as the diagnosis can be made. Patients were presented, illustrating the fact that those who have had splenectomy early in the disease usually recover. The only case in this series with recurrent symptoms had a splenectomy late in the disease. Doctor Sargent showed some interesting cases of tumors of the humerus of both benign and malignant types, demonstrating by film the diagnostic x-ray characteristics of the commoner malignant types. He likewise discussed the therapeutic value of the x-ray in certain of these tumors. Doctor Sutherland showed two interesting cases of myasthenia gravis, bringing out the diagnostic points and discussing the new endocrine treatment of this condition. Doctor Dukes showed a case of malignant tumor of the ovary which had herniated, carrying with it practically the entire pelvic contents. The tumor was discovered during physical examination for another complaint. It was a pedunculated mass hanging from the inguinal region, apparently causing the patient little concern. Doctor Dukes

* For a complete list of general officers, of standing committees, of section officers, and of executive officers of the component county societies, see index references on the front cover, under Miscellany.

showed pictures of the condition prior to operation as well as the patient two weeks postoperative. Dr. T. C. McCleave reported a continuation of his studies on the use of bacteriophage in the treatment of typhoid fever. All cases of typhoid at Highland Hospital have been so treated with definite benefit in all.

GERTRUDE MOORE, *Secretary.*

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The Contra Costa County Medical Society met on October 14 at the Hotel Carquinez, Richmond.

The first part of the program was given over to Dr. John W. Sherrick of Oakland, who addressed the society on "Toxemias of Pregnancy." The speaker gave a detailed yet very concise presentation of this important subject. The etiology, symptomatology, and the management of the various conditions classified under this subject were discussed in a very practical manner. The importance of proper prenatal control and the early application of therapeutic measures were explained in detail. Doctor Sherrick's paper was voted one of the most instructive discourses presented before this society for some time.

Dr. Clifford O. Bishop of Richmond was unanimously voted a member of the society on a transfer from San Joaquin County.

The second part of the program was devoted to a joint meeting between the society and the Woman's Auxiliary. Various problems of mutual interest were discussed and plans for closer coöperation between the two units were made. Mrs. J. M. McCullough of Crockett, vice president of the State Auxiliary and president of our own county unit, explained the history, aims and purposes of the Woman's Auxiliary. The sum of \$25 was voted by the medical society to further the work of the auxiliary.

The good work which is being accomplished throughout the state by the Traveling School Clinic along mental welfare lines was explained by Miss Scott, who urged the coöperation of the society members. This clinic will visit the principal centers of our county next month. The president, Dr. J. W. Bumgarner, conducted the meeting, which was well attended.

L. H. FRASER, *Secretary.*

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FRESNO COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Fresno County Medical Society was held after dinner at the Californian Hotel, October 7. Thirty-five members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following members were elected to membership in the society: Dr. S. V. Dragoo of Coalinga, by transfer from the Contra Costa Medical Society; Dr. D. V. Wiebe of Selma, by transfer from San Joaquin County Medical Society.

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The committee on resolutions presented a report expressing the loss occasioned to the society and the community by the deaths of Doctors John A. Montgomery and James L. Maupin.

IN MEMORIAM

John A. Montgomery, M. D.

1889-1930

Whereas, It has pleased the Heavenly Father to remove from our midst John A. Montgomery, a member of this society; and

Whereas, His loss to the medical profession has been keenly felt because of the high type of character

which he possessed, and the excellence of his professional skill; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Fresno County Medical Society express its heartfelt sympathy to the family of John A. Montgomery; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to his family and a copy spread on the minutes of the society.

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James Lawrence Maupin, M. D.
1867-1930

Whereas, The Fresno County Medical Society and the community in which he has labored so well and faithfully for two score years has lost an honored member and citizen in the death of James Lawrence Maupin; and

Whereas, It is felt that his influence for good in our profession and the high position which he attained by his untiring devotion to his profession has never been equaled in this community; and

Whereas, All those who became his friends by his kind ministrations are now deprived of that warm fellowship and comforting presence; and

Whereas, The members of the medical profession not only of this valley but also of the State of California feel deeply the loss of a true professional associate and friend; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Fresno County Medical Society express to the family of James Lawrence Maupin its heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be presented to the family and a copy spread on the minutes of the Fresno County Medical Society.

It was moved by Dr. T. Madden, seconded by Dr. G. Hare, that the resolutions be adopted.

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Doctor Madden spoke urging the members to be generous and active in helping the Community Chest campaign.

Dr. Carlton Mathewson, medical officer of health of the city of Fresno, stated that although there had been very few cases of infantile paralysis in this city during recent months, there was no convalescent serum kept on hand. He advised the medical society to take steps to procure a supply of serum. On the recommendation of Dr. G. Hare that some action be taken in this matter it was moved, seconded and carried, that a committee be appointed by the president with full power to act in arranging for registration of all persons who have had infantile paralysis in the past few years that they be asked to volunteer as donors if needed and that whatever steps were necessary should be taken to insure a supply of poliomyelitis convalescent serum.

The president appointed the following committee: Dr. H. J. Craycroft, Dr. C. Mathewson, and Dr. J. M. Frawley.

Dr. Julian M. Wolfsohn of Stanford University gave a very interesting talk, which was much appreciated by members present, on the "Neuroses—Their Mechanism and Treatment." Doctor Wolfsohn kindly consented to outline the recent advances which have been made in the study of poliomyelitis.

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The regular meeting of the Fresno County Medical Society was held at the Californian Hotel November 4. Forty-one members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following members were elected to membership in the society: Frank M. Sprague of Fresno, Reginald Archie Hunt of Riverdale, and Lester Ralph Nielson of Pinedale.

Report of Dr. H. M. Ginsburg: \$210 spent of the \$550 appropriated by the board of supervisors in procuring convalescent serum for poliomyelitis. Eleven

bottles of serum were received from the 2000 cubic centimeters of blood collected. Nine bottles have been used, one of them by an outside physician.

Dr. H. J. Craycroft reported the work done by his committee in procuring this serum. The Twining Laboratory centrifuged 250 cubic centimeters of blood at one time. His committee was continued.

Dr. H. Alderson of Stanford University showed cinema pictures of unusual skin lesions which were splendidly clear and well selected. Dr. H. Alderson later discussed some of the many forms of skin diseases shown on the screen. His talk and films were well received and much appreciated by the society.

J. M. FRAWLEY, *Secretary*.

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NAPA COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Napa County Medical Society held on Wednesday, October 1, was preceded by an excellent dinner at Marino's Grill, Napa. The regular meeting was called to order by Doctor Dawson, the president.

Routine business was transacted and bills approved.

It was duly moved, seconded and carried, that the Napa County Medical Society urge the legislators and the incoming Governor to appoint a physician to the position of director of institutions.

It was also moved and carried that a resolution of sympathy be sent to the wife of Dr. W. G. Ogden, a member in good standing, whose death occurred last month.

Dr. Samuel H. Hurwitz, associate clinical professor of medicine, Stanford University Medical School, was the speaker of the evening. Doctor Hurwitz spoke on the "Present Status of the Asthma Problem" in a logical, interesting manner; following which it was discussed by the various members of the society.

Those present were: Members—H. V. Baker, G. I. Dawson, C. A. Johnson, D. H. Murray, R. S. Northrop, J. B. Robertson, Napa; M. M. Booth, St. Helena; W. L. Blodgett, Edward Love, Calistoga; I. E. Charlesworth, E. F. Donnelly, Imola; A. K. McGrath, Sonoma; R. E. Poole, Veterans' Home. Visitors—Doctor Anderson, St. Helena; Doctor Fry, Benicia; Doctor Fuller, Veterans' Home; A. C. Umhalt, D. D. S., Napa.

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The regular meeting of the Napa County Medical Society was held Wednesday, November 5, at the Veterans' Home, Colonel Nelson M. Holderman, commandant, acting as host and providing a bounteous turkey dinner.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. G. I. Dawson, president. The annual election of officers was held, resulting in the following members being elected: Robert S. Northrop, president; Herbert R. Coleman, vice-president; Carl A. Johnson, secretary-treasurer. Dr. C. E. Sisson of Imola was elected state delegate and Dr. M. M. Booth of St. Helena, alternate.

The applications for membership in the Napa County Medical Society for Doctors A. H. McLish, D. B. Williams, and A. E. Chapple, were unanimously accepted by the society.

The speaker of the evening was next introduced, Dr. G. K. Rhodes of San Francisco, whose topic was "Perinephritic Abscess of Acute Hematogenous Origin." Doctor Rhodes stressed the diagnostic feature of the x-ray picture which showed in these cases an obliteration of the psoas shadow on the affected side, blurring of the kidney outline, and scoliosis of the lumbar vertebra away from the affected side. Lantern slides were used effectively to demonstrate the diagnostic feature. An informal discussion followed the conclusion of his paper.

Members present—H. V. Baker, H. R. Coleman, C. A. Johnson, J. Robertson, Napa; M. M. Booth, K. J. Wood, St. Helena; C. A. Gregory, St. Helena

Sanitarium; A. K. McGrath, Sonoma; A. McLish, Richard Poole, Veterans' Home; C. E. Sisson, D. B. Williams, Imola.

Visitors—Dr. R. M. Ritchie, superintendent Mendocino State Hospital; Dr. H. S. Rogers, Petaluma; Dr. Holman, intern, Imola; Dr. Fry, Benicia; Dr. Frank Robertson, Napa; Dr. E. S. Anderson, St. Helena.

C. A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*.

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ORANGE COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Orange County Medical Association was held in the staff room of the County Hospital on Tuesday, October 7, at 8:15 p. m. Dr. H. M. Robertson, president, presided and introduced Doctors J. L. Maroon and A. E. Chase of Santa Ana, who showed a very interesting case of syringomyelia in a young boy. Doctor Maroon gave a complete history and his results of a most thorough physical examination of this patient, indicating the most important symptoms and signs to be:

1. A progressive muscular atrophy.
2. Disturbances of sensibility, especially anesthesia to pain and temperature, but not touch.
3. Trophic disturbances, including arthropathies.
4. Scolioses.

Doctor Chase explained in detail, by the use of lantern slides, the bone and joint changes in this disease, giving the differential diagnosis between this condition, and tabes dorsalis where a charcot joint has developed.

The next speaker of the evening was Dr. John C. Wilson of Los Angeles, who spoke on the "After-Care of Anterior Poliomyelitis." He stressed the importance of dividing, in general, the treatment into two phases: first, during hyperesthesia, of placing the muscle group at rest in a neutral position and using some form of heat; and second, after hyperesthesia, a gradual muscle reëducation by a trained person.

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The Orange County Medical Association held its regular November meeting Tuesday, November 4, at the Episcopal Church, Santa Ana, at 7 p. m. A delicious dinner was served to approximately fifty members and guests.

We were honored at this meeting by the presence of Dr. Lyell C. Kinney, president of the California Medical Association, and Dr. Mott H. Arnold, counselor for the first district. Following the dinner, Doctor Kinney gave an interesting and forceful address. He urged that, in addition to the scientific side, the county society should be a strong business organization; that we should make our knowledge of the business of medicine just as complete as our knowledge of the science of medicine.

Dr. Mott Arnold was then introduced and talked on the policy followed by the State Association in dealing with the Coffey-Humber cancer research work. He explained the action of the councilors in not publishing the letter from the Hewlett Club.

After some discussion regarding the above, it was moved and seconded that the Orange County Medical Association go on record as approving the action taken by the councilors in regard to the Hewlett letter.

The society was then called to order by President Robertson and the minutes of the October meeting were read and approved. The first reading on the application of Dr. Charles Sylvester O'Toole for membership was heard. The applications of Doctors Holm Holmson, Roland J. Harvey and Julius C. Osher were read for the second time, and by ballot all three of these applicants were admitted as members in good standing of this association.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. E. D. Kilbourne of Santa Ana, his subject being "Coöperation in the Early Diagnosis of Surgical Conditions." This was a very practical paper and dealt with the common things one finds in medicine and surgery. Doctor

Kilbourne stressed the point that most of our errors in diagnosis were errors of omission rather than of commission. He reminded us of the fact that early diagnosis of tuberculosis is essential; that growing pains of children are often tuberculosis of the spine; that skin tests are valuable only when negative; that 75 per cent of all cases of cancer of the rectum have been treated for hemorrhoids; that when a patient with appendicitis dies someone has blundered; that in intestinal perforation of typhoid the blood pressure rises sharply; that in osteomyelitis early x-ray is of no value and that carcinoma of the breast can usually be diagnosed by skiagraph in profile. This paper was fully discussed by Doctors Newkirk, H. A. Johnston, Olson, Hawes, Hollingsworth, Gobar, and Walker.

All business of the society having been taken up, the meeting adjourned.

HARRY G. HUFFMAN, *Secretary*.

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PLACER COUNTY

The Placer County Medical Society held its annual meeting in Auburn, Saturday evening, November 15.

The following officers were elected: R. H. Eveleth of Roseville, president; L. B. Barnes of Newcastle, vice-president; Robert A. Peers of Colfax, secretary-treasurer; Charles J. Durand of Colfax, associate secretary.

Delegate to the 1931 meeting of the California Medical Association, C. C. Briner of Auburn. Alternate, Carl P. Jones of Grass Valley.

ROBERT A. PEERS, *Secretary*.

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The fifth meeting of the year 1930 of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement met at the Senator Hotel June 17 at 8:45 p. m. Forty-two members were present. The president, Dr. Gustave Wilson, called the meeting to order and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

There were no case reports.

The first paper of the evening, "Lipiodol Injections of Uterus and Tubes," was presented by Dr. George Joyce Hall. The question of sterility is often brought to the family doctor for answer, and this timely paper was necessary to stimulate thought on this subject. In olden days it was believed that sterility was the woman's fault; today, however, we know that the male member of the family is often to blame for the lack of children. In studying sterility in women it is important to know the condition of the uterus and the patency of the tubes. Doctor Hall outlined methods by which this study is carried on, discussing especially the injection of lipiodol into the cavity of the uterus and out into the tubes. Lipiodol is opaque to the roentgen ray and, therefore, lipiodol injected adnexa shows clearly on the x-ray film. This method is used not only to demonstrate patency of the tubes, but other malformations and pathological conditions in the womb and tubes. Slides made from x-ray films demonstrating these points were shown on the screen. The paper was ably discussed by Doctors Cook, Rulison, and Beach.

Dr. W. M. Wilder presented the second paper of the evening, which was an informal report on the use of spinal anesthesia in the urological service at the Sacramento Hospital. The *modus operandi* of the anesthesia was discussed. The simplicity of the technique and the uniformly excellent result obtained by Doctor Wilder in his series highly recommend this form of anesthetic as a method of choice in elderly patients, especially where the operation is urological in nature.

This paper stimulated discussion, and Doctors Hale, Beach, Dillon, and Rulison especially expressed their appreciation.

The application for membership of Dr. Beaumont Brown was read for the second time. Doctor Brown

was voted into the membership of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement.

Dr. Cordes W. Ankele transferred from the Siskiyou County Medical Society and was voted into the membership of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement.

After reading several communications, there being no further business the meeting adjourned to a buffet luncheon.

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The sixth meeting of the year 1930 of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement met at the Senator Hotel, September 16, at 8 p. m. Fifty-four members were present. Dr. Gustave Wilson called the meeting to order, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The paper of the evening, "Some Aspects of Clinical Endocrinology," was presented by Hans Lisser, associate professor of medicine at the University of California Medical School. He spoke of many endocrine disturbances, the symptoms, some of the pathology, and the treatment (if any treatment existed) for each condition.

Doctor Lisser's lecture was illustrated with lantern slides, which enhanced the interest of his paper. Pictures were shown of hypophyseal infantilism, showing the skeletal undergrowth and sexual infantilism; and of hypopituitarism of adults, characterized by the girdle obesity and diminished menstrual flow. An interesting case of postpartum tetany was discussed and the excellent results of Collip's parathyroid extract as a specific in this condition was demonstrated. One case of excessive parathyroid secretion was shown on the screen. Doctor Lisser just mentioned this case as very rare, and a new one in the classification of endocrine diseases. He stressed the fact that the cretinism found in Switzerland is different from childhood myxedema, which is found everywhere. Childhood myxedema is characterized by skeletal undergrowth and mental retardation. Doctor Lisser said that if these cases were treated early with thyroid substance much could be done to prevent the mental deterioration. Treatment of thyroid deficiency in adults was often crowned with success. The attention of the doctors was called to the fact that many adults have a mild hypothyroidism which often is unrecognized unless one is on the watch.

The paper was enjoyed by all present, and active part in the discussion was taken by Doctors Gundrum, Reardon, O. F. Johnson, Babcock, Brendel, Lindsay, and Pitts.

Applications for membership were read for the first time from Doctors H. E. Lorenze, Ralph S. Graham, and Hilding R. Johnson. Two delinquent members were reinstated into good standing by payment of dues.

After the communications were read, there being no further business the meeting adjourned.

FRANK WARNE LEE, *Secretary*.

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SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

The first fall meeting of the San Bernardino County Medical Society was held at the County Hospital Tuesday, October 7.

Dinner was served at 7:30 p. m.

The first vice-president, Dr. A. T. Gage, presided in the absence of the president, Dr. E. L. Tisinger.

The president called attention to the financial report on the back of the menu which served as the secretary's report.

The election of officers for the following year then took place, the following officers being elected:

President, H. G. Hill, Redlands; first vice-president, W. F. Pritchard, San Bernardino; second vice-president, C. L. Curtiss, Redlands; secretary-treasurer, E. J. Eyttinge, Redlands. Delegates for state meeting: D. C. Mock, Redlands; E. L. Tisinger, San Ber-

nardino. Alternates: W. Savage, San Bernardino; F. F. Abbott, Ontario.

The dues for the ensuing year were fixed the same as for the preceding year at \$15.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following two changes in the by-laws were read and will be voted on at the next meeting:

1. If the annual assessment of dues payable to this association by any member of this association is not paid on or before April 1 of any year, such member shall automatically lose his membership in this association as of April 1 of such year. The council of this association, in its discretion, upon payment of such unpaid dues, and any other assessments or dues accruing thereafter, may, at any time, reinstate such member.

2. Nominations of members as tried out this year having proved unsatisfactory as shown by less than one-third of the members voting, it was moved by Dr. D. C. Mock and seconded by Dr. F. Moor that the by-laws be changed and Article 14 added to as follows: "Each year at the May meeting a committee of three shall be nominated from the floor, one member being appointed by the president as chairman. This committee is charged with submitting a list of nominations for the various offices and reporting back to the secretary within thirty days from the date of their appointment. The nominations shall be submitted for vote at the annual meeting in October."

The president's address not being available, Dr. Lyell C. Kinney, president of the California Medical Association, was next introduced and he gave an unusually fine address entitled, "The County Medical Society a Business Organization."

At the conclusion of this paper a brief general discussion followed after which the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p. m.

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The regular meeting of the San Bernardino County Medical Society was held November 4 at the San Bernardino County Hospital. The meeting was called to order by the first vice-president, Dr. W. Pritchard, at 8:15 p. m.

The following change in the by-laws was passed by unanimous vote:

"If the annual assessment of dues to this association by any member of this association is not paid on or before April 1 of any year, such member shall automatically lose his membership in this association as of April 1 of such year. The council of this association, in its discretion upon payment of such unpaid dues, and any other assessments of dues accruing thereafter, may at any time reinstate such member."

The proposition in regard to the nominations of officers for the coming year was held in abeyance for future consideration.

The program of the evening was then entered upon:

Hysterectomy—A Technique and Analysis of Six Hundred Cases, by Dr. E. C. Moore and Dr. D. G. Tollefson. Cinematographic and lantern slide demonstration.

Radium and Roentgen Therapy of Uterine Fibromyomata, by Dr. Albert Soiland and associates.

Following this program the president of the San Bernardino County branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association, Mrs. F. Clough, spoke briefly.

Refreshments were served at 10 o'clock.

About sixty members and guests were present.

E. J. EYTINGE, *Secretary*.

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The stated meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held Thursday evening at eight o'clock, October 2, in the Medico-Dental clubrooms, 242 North Sutter Street, Stockton.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Henry Rohrbacher, vice-president. The minutes of the previous stated meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. Dewey R. Powell, duly seconded and carried, the constitution of the local society was amended to correspond with that of the California Medical Association relating to the lapsing of membership.

Dr. Linwood Dozier made a report on the progress of the committee appointed to consider the matter of a medico-dental collection and rating bureau. The committee had met with the directors of the two societies and again with the combined membership in a special meeting September 26. No action was taken at either meeting. He said that \$361 would be needed to equip the office and start the work. On recommendation of Doctor Dozier and motion of Dr. Percy Kallegos, duly seconded and carried, the matter was referred to the board of directors of the San Joaquin County Medical Society for definite action.

The scientific program was opened with moving pictures of an appendectomy and a high gastro-enterostomy.

The first paper of the evening was one by Dr. Samuel Hanson on "A Simplified Method of Introducing the Carbon Dioxid in the Tubal Patency Test."

Doctor Hanson demonstrated his apparatus by means of which he forces carbon dioxid into the uterus to test the patency of the tubes. In one bottle is ordinary soda water (water charged with carbon dioxid gas), in the other the carbon dioxid gas. As the water in the charged bottle is forced into the gas bottle, the gas is in turn forced into the uterus and out the tubes. The merits of the apparatus are its simplicity, ease of assembly, and use of products easily obtained at any soda fountain.

Dr. Harry Oliver of San Francisco gave a paper on "Agranulocytosis." Doctor Oliver stated that agranulocytosis was first described by Shultz in 1922. Since then there have been one hundred fifty cases reported. However, there must have been many other cases classed under various diagnoses, such as acute glandular fever, salvarsan poisoning, diphtheria, and others.

The disease may start after a short illness before ulceration or suddenly while the patient appears strong and well. The early symptoms are a high continuous fever (102 to 104), high pulse, malaise, dyspnea and chills, sore throat or gums. It may follow the extraction of teeth. Ulcers of the mouth and throat and sometimes in the rectum or vagina are characterized by the dirty gray base with overhanging edges, little demarcation, and no cellular reaction in the surrounding tissues. There is no hemorrhage and no glandular involvement. It appears as a sudden acute infection, usually of the mouth and throat in middle-aged women. The large majority of cases end in coma and death.

The disease seems not to be contagious and no specific organism has been isolated. The first changes are noted in the bone marrow, then the blood stream, followed by the clinical onset with characteristic ulceration. The blood picture is characterized by the absence of polymorphonuclears, myelocytes, eosinophils and basophils. The lymphocytes of small mature type are reduced in number to from two thousand to two hundred. The red cells and hemoglobin are lowered slightly. The platelets and the coagulation time remain normal. The bone marrow, which seems to be the primary seat of pathology, is physiologically paralyzed.

In the line of treatment, transfusion and irradiation have produced no results. Intravenous medication has been worthless. In some recent cases considerable success has been met with by the use of liver extract—eight to twelve tubes daily—and the local use of sodium perborate as a gargle and swab. The ulcers were further swabbed with an eight per cent solution of methyl violet in glycerin.

As a result of this treatment there is a rapid drop in temperature, patient comes out of the coma, the blood picture changes and the granulocytes increase, not only proportionally, but absolutely. One treated in this way fully recovered for a year when the disease recurred, but recovery was prompt on resumption of this treatment.

Those in attendance were: Doctors J. W. Barnes, W. T. McNeil, La Berge, Van Meter, Ishikawa, Sheldon, Hudson Smythe, Hull, Gallegos, McGurk, Dozier, Hanson, Chapman, Sutton, Broadus, Rohrbacher, Vischi, Dewey R. Powell, Grace McCoskey, Thompson, Owens, Tretheway, Smithers, Doughty, Hill, and Oliver. The visitors were Doctor Goldstein and Mr. Taylor.

C. A. BROADUS, *Secretary*.

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held on Monday evening, October 13, at the University Club, Dr. Hugh Freidell, the president, presiding.

The meeting was preceded by a banquet given by Dr. W. D. Sansum to the members of the society in honor of Dr. J. B. Kollip from McGill University, Montreal.

This was one of the most enjoyable and entertaining meetings ever held by the Santa Barbara County Society, and in appreciation of Doctor Sansum's courtesy, the attendance was the largest of any meeting for several years.

At the conclusion of the dinner the society went into executive session and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. W. H. Johnston's application for membership was referred to the board of censors.

Doctor Means reported for the board of censors regarding the syndicated articles in the morning press as follows:

"Inasmuch as many other county medical societies are availing themselves of this publicity and it has been endorsed by the American Medical Association, and while not endorsed specifically by the California Medical Association, still there have been no strenuous objections, and as long as it was brought up in the county society and this committee was appointed with power to act, they feel it should be left up to the individual members whether or not they subscribe a certain definite weekly amount to pay for the cost of the articles.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the report be adopted.

Doctor Main moved, seconded by Doctor Ullmann, that a public relationship committee of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society be appointed.

The president then appointed Dr. Manning chairman, with Doctors Henderson, Markthaler and W. E. Johnson, and the president ex-officio member.

Doctor Sansum then introduced Doctor Kollip, the speaker of the evening. The society then adjourned to the lounging room, where Doctor Kollip gave an extremely interesting and highly instructive discourse, illustrated by lantern slides, on "Placental Hormones."

At the conclusion, Doctor Engelbach discussed this subject briefly.

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The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held at the Bissell Auditorium of the Cottage Hospital on Monday evening, November 10, Dr. Hugh Freidell presiding.

Dr. W. H. Johnston was unanimously elected to membership.

A communication from the County Welfare Board was read requesting that the society appoint Doctors Manning and Ussher as advisory members of the board, and upon motion, duly second and carried, Doctors Manning and Ussher were so appointed.

A communication from the Visiting Nurses' Association requesting the appointment of a member of the medical society to have charge of the baby clinics was also read. They recommended the appointment of Doctor Lamb, and upon motion, duly seconded and carried, Doctor Lamb was so appointed.

Doctor Manning, chairman of the Committee on Public Relationship, composed of Doctors Manning, Johnson, Markthaler, Freidell and O. C. Jones, gave his report. It was moved, seconded and carried, that the report be adopted.

Doctor Markthaler, who was elected secretary of this committee, then gave a report of the committee's first meeting, which was ordered filed.

The president then introduced Dr. Lyell C. Kinney of San Diego, president of the California Medical Association, who gave a brief address on "Public Relations," and particularly stressed the fact that the medical profession should be the leaders instead of the followers in all of the economic problems relating to medicine; that the problem is ours and, if we do not desire a lay control, medical societies must solve these problems.

The president then introduced Dr. Gayle G. Moseley of Redlands, councilor for the third district, which includes Santa Barbara County. Doctor Moseley explained briefly the Coffey-Humber difficulty and then discussed at length clinics and hospitals.

Both speakers were extremely interesting, as they dealt with paramount medical problems of today.

Dr. W. E. Johnson gave a very interesting paper on "Hysterosalpingography," and showed lantern slides. This was discussed by Dr. Lawrence Eder.

Dr. John Van Paing then gave a very interesting paper on "Malarial Therapy in Neurosyphilis," with a report of a series of his cases. This was discussed by Doctors Ullmann, Ussher, Brush, and Hamilton.

The president then reopened the business meeting and the question of a dispensary at Santa Maria was brought up. It was moved by Doctor Bakewell, seconded and carried, that the Public Relationship Committee investigate and devise ways and means and report back to the society.

The president appointed the following as a Legislative Committee: Dr. H. J. Ullmann (chairman), Dr. P. C. Means, and Dr. M. Thorner.

The addresses of Doctors Kinney and Moseley were then discussed by Doctors Ullmann, Means, and Hamilton.

WILLIAM H. EATON, *Secretary*.

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VENTURA COUNTY

The October meeting of the Ventura County Medical Society was held Tuesday, October 21, at 8 p. m., at the clinic building of the County Hospital.

Dr. D. G. Clark opened the meeting. Members present were: Doctors R. M. Jones, Wright, Coffey, Felberbaum, D. G. Clark, Shore, Bianchi, Bardill, Smolt, W. S. Clark, Hendricks, and Homer. Guests were: Dr. Eva Shively of Ventura, Doctors Miller and Rhymes of Santa Paula, and Doctors George Piness and Hyman Miller of Los Angeles.

Doctor Piness addressed the society upon the etiology and diagnosis of allergic respiratory disease. Dr. Hyman Miller then took up the treatment of the same malady and presented some very impressive charts dealing with the geographic distribution and immunologic characteristics of the various plant pollens.

CHARLES A. SMOLT, *Secretary*.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

New Members—October

Los Angeles County—

Leo Joel Adelstein	Howard Wilson Bosworth
Howard Clayton Anderson	Lambert C. Brewer
Nelson Paul Anderson	William Browne Carr
William Nance Anderson	Willard Thomas Conley
Harold Lewis Bollig	Chester Elmo Cornell

Wymond Walter Eckhardt
Albert Sidney Gough
Edward Lee Loughlin
Henry Lund
Robert Paul MacDonald
Thomas D. Mansfield
John Foley Martin
Charles H. McCallister
Johannes M. Nielsen

George Mangill Olson
Samuel E. Pasette
Maurice H. Rosenfeld
Allan Ross
Noel F. Shambaugh
Leigh Edward Sloan
Walter Leslie Stevens
Reuben T. Swenson
Gilbert Bernard Tepper

Marin County—Joseph Orey Hawkins.

San Diego County—Raymond Confer Hall, George Dolphus Huff.

San Francisco County—Selling Brill, Edward John Buckley, Maurice Leopold Lubin, Joseph Minton Meherin, William Charles Munly.

Santa Clara County—Marshall I. Mason.

New Members—November

Alameda County—Emil G. Beck, Donald V. Burke, Ray Homer Fisher, Wendell H. Humphrey, Martin J. Lacey.

Sacramento County—Lloyd C. Austin.

San Francisco County—Neil P. Donnelley, John Elias Skaff, William P. Willard.

Resignations—November

M. B. Fractman, from San Francisco County.
William J. Hawkins, from San Francisco County.
Delmer L. Davis, from Los Angeles County.

Transferred—October

Russel V. Lee, from San Francisco to Santa Clara County.

W. Barclay Stephens, from San Francisco to Alameda County.

Reinhard V. Looser, from San Joaquin to Los Angeles County.

Henry M. Gay, from Santa Clara to Los Angeles County.

Cordes Ankele, from Siskiyou to Sacramento County.

Blake C. Wilbur, from San Francisco to Santa Clara County.

Julius Goldsand, from San Francisco to Humboldt County.

Samuel V. Dragoo, from Contra Costa to Fresno County.

D. V. Wiebe, from San Joaquin to Fresno County.

E. H. Reudiger, from Los Angeles to San Diego County.

W. E. Carter, from Los Angeles to San Francisco County.

Valdemar Pleth, from Los Angeles to Sonoma County.

Paul M. Hunter, from Los Angeles to Monterey County.

Clifford O. Bishop, from San Joaquin to Contra Costa County.

November

Arthur A. Arehart, from Fresno to Monterey County.

Thomas F. Ayres, from Santa Clara to San Francisco County.

Edna P. Burgeson, from Orange to San Francisco County.

Samuel V. Dragoo, from Butte to Fresno County.

May L. Dutton, from Alameda to San Francisco County.

Jewel Fay, from Alameda to San Francisco County.

Mervyn F. Frandy, from Sacramento to Alameda County.

Augustus A. Gerlach, from San Mateo to Alameda County.

Herlwyn R. Green, from San Francisco to Santa Clara County.

Marvin K. Paup, from Los Angeles to Riverside County.

Richard B. Penzotti, from Mendocino to Alameda County.

Henry L. White, from San Francisco to Tehama County.

John West Wilson, from Sacramento to San Francisco County.

Mast Wolfson, from San Mateo to Monterey County.

Deaths

Blanchard, George Lake. Died August 2, 1930, age 54 years. Graduate of Creighton University School of Medicine, Omaha, Nebraska, 1902. Licensed in California, 1919. Doctor Blanchard was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Croat, Edward A. Died at La Mesa October 20, 1930, age 64 years. Graduate of the University of Manitoba Faculty of Medicine, Winnipeg, Manitoba, 1894. Licensed in California, 1911. Doctor Croat was a member of the San Diego County Medical Society, an honorary member of the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Hunkin, Samuel J. Died at San Francisco, October 11, 1930, age 66 years. Graduate of University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1890. Licensed in California, 1891. Doctor Hunkin was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Jackson, John Alfred. Died at Los Angeles, August 26, 1930, age 62 years. Graduate of Trinity Medical College, Toronto, 1897. Licensed in California, 1901. Doctor Jackson was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Kneedler, William L. Died September 8, 1930, age 74 years. Graduate of Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1879. Licensed in California, 1906. Doctor Kneedler was a member of the San Diego County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Maupin, James Lawrence. Died at Fresno, October 1, 1930, age 63 years. Graduated of Missouri College of Medicine and Science, St. Louis, 1890. Licensed in California, 1890. Doctor Maupin was a member of the Fresno County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Montgomery, John Andrew. Died July 31, 1930, age 41 years. Graduate of Northwestern University School of Medicine, Chicago, 1921. Licensed in California, 1921. Doctor Montgomery was a member of the Fresno County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Pickett, Jesse Cameron. Died at Ross, October 6, 1930, age 51 years. Graduate of Cooper Medical College, San Francisco, 1907. Licensed in California, 1907. Doctor Pickett was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Selling, Nathalie A. Died at San Francisco, October 1, 1930, age 63 years. Graduate of University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1894. Licensed in California, 1894. Doctor Selling was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Shields, Nicholas J. Died at San Luis Obispo October 10, 1930, age 56 years. Graduate of Baltimore Medical College, Maryland, 1898. Licensed in California, 1917. Doctor Shields was a member of the San Luis Obispo County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

Short, Charles Augustus. Died at San Jose October 26, 1930, age 40 years. Graduate of Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, 1915. Licensed

in California, 1924. Doctor Short was a member of the Santa Clara County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Wanzer, Lucy Maria Field. Died at San Francisco, October 13, 1930, age 89 years. Graduate of University of California Medical School, San Francisco, 1876. Licensed in California, 1876. Doctor Wanzer was an honorary member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Zerfing, Charles. Died at Los Angeles, September 1930, age 57 years. Graduate of University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, 1895. Licensed in California, 1905. Doctor Zerfing was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

OBITUARIES

Samuel J. Hunkin

1864-1930

S. J. Hunkin, the orthopedic surgeon, has passed on. He was a man of great natural talent, of enormous industry, and in his sincerity even lived up to his faults. A monumental figure, looming up among men, as if hewn from granite.

He came to California from Cornwall, a sailor before the mast. His interest in the cure of deformity was his urge to study medicine. As soon as he made up the admission requirements, he enrolled at Toland Medical School. He worked his way through college, and during one vacation fired the boat on Lake Tahoe.

Upon graduation in 1890, he became the assistant to Harry Sherman, a pioneer in orthopedics. He had a service at the Children's Hospital, where in the 90's the orthopedic work for the children of the community was centered. He was a member of the county and state societies before and after their reorganization, being a frequent contributor to their programs; and was also a member of the American Orthopedic Society.

At the University of California he taught his subject to many successive classes. His fame soon ranged the entire Pacific Coast, bringing in its wake an extensive practice. He was early associated with that group of workers best typified by that master, the late J. Henry Barbat.

At his funeral one could best sense this man's accomplishments. Though only a few knew of his demise, the great chapel at Gray's was thronged to overflowing with patients, life-long friends, and a large group of his past assistants.

Doctor Hunkin has left his imprint on orthopedics in this region for a full generation to come, due to these qualified disciples he has left to carry on.

ALFRED B. GROSSE.

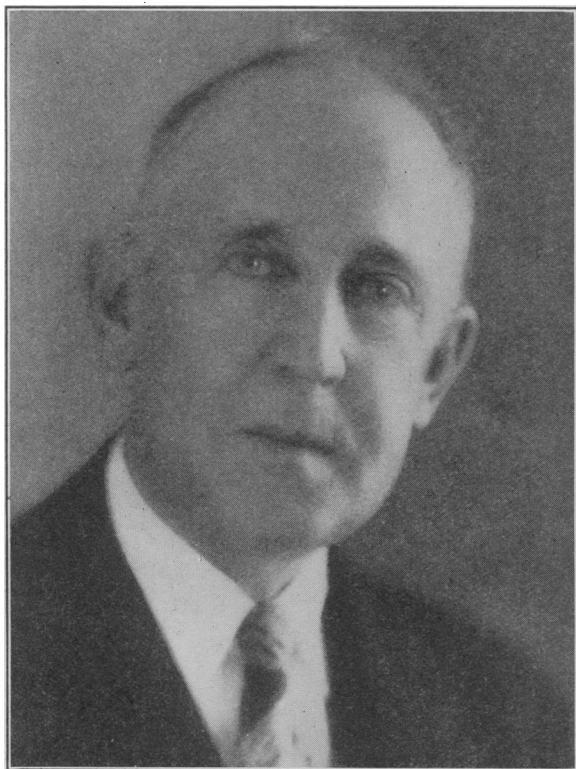
James Lawrence Maupin

1868-1930

On October 1, 1930, the medical profession lost a very valuable member and the community a splendid friend in the death of Dr. James Lawrence Maupin.

Born at Columbia, Missouri, April 19, 1868, Doctor Maupin attended college at the University of Missouri after which he moved with his parents to California. Soon after he came to Fresno he began the study of medicine and graduated from the Barnes Medical College in 1889. Immediately after he graduated from Barnes Medical College he began the practice of his profession in Fresno, being associated with his father, Dr. William T. Maupin. It was not long until his genial personality and his exceptional ability had won for him an excellent practice.

In 1900, Doctor Maupin, together with Dr. J. D. Davidson, Dr. William T. Maupin, Dr. George H. Aiken, and the undersigned, associated themselves



George L. Blanchard
1876-1930

Came a day a few months ago when a member passed from our midst, who had, for many darkened lives, increased that real sunshine which actually enters through the eyes as well as through the soul. He passed at the end of the day as quietly as a ship goes over the horizon toward the setting sun, without the slightest moaning of the bar.

Then departed a sterling character, Dr. George L. Blanchard, who had quietly accomplished much, yet with his light so hidden under a mass of service, that many members of his own society were surprised to learn that he was the founder and chief of the eye and ear clinic at the Plaza Community Center. Here he treated, I doubt not, many descendants of those who at one time had grant title to most of the land in the region of Los Angeles.

After graduating from Creighton Medical College and completing his service with the First Nebraska Regiment, he studied in the Omaha office of Dr. D. C. Bryant, at that time professor of ophthalmology in Creighton Medical College, and also in the Gifford Clinic, where he became especially friendly with the late Dr. James M. Patton as well as with Dr. John B. Potts and the two Giffords. These contacts were very helpful to him when he came here with his family thirty years ago.

In my own association with Doctor Blanchard, I was deeply impressed with the complete dedication of his life to service for others in the most quiet way. He was not one to argue and stood with equanimity among those who seem never to have an enemy or detractor, but always hosts of quiet friends, who had found that he was giving more than he was taking, in every way.

And, after all, do not most of us hope that it will some day be found that we were accomplishing more good results than had been generally suspected?

CLIFFORD B. WALKER.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION*

Los Angeles County Auxiliary

At the first meeting since the summer vacation the members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Los Angeles County Medical Association who filled Severance Hall in the Friday Morning Club House, Los Angeles, on October 16, were called to order at 2:30 p. m. by Mrs. James F. Percy, president. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Martin G. Carter.

Mrs. Percy in her introductory talk commented on the fact that it is evident that the problems of this county are similar to and a part of the problems that affect physicians' wives throughout the nation and that the first need has been for a strong organization with a proper set of by-laws to guide us clearly.

The honor guests of the afternoon were then introduced by the president, including Mrs. David R. Robins, who has just returned from Europe, where for two years she has been president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the "American Medical Association of Vienna"; Mrs. F. C. Coulter, state program chairman and president of the Orange County Auxiliary; Mrs. Dexter R. Ball, state secretary-treasurer; Mrs. F. E. Clough, president of the San Bernardino County Auxiliary; Mrs. J. R. Gentry and Mrs. Charles Ernest, directors of health, tenth district, Parent-Teacher Association; Mrs. P. A. Quaintance, chairman Social Service Committee; and Mrs. E. M.

* As county auxiliaries to the Woman's Auxiliary of the California Medical Association are formed, the names of officers should be forwarded to the state secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Dexter R. Ball, 2419 Bonnie Brae Street, Santa Ana, and to the California Medical Association office, Room 2004, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Brief reports of county auxiliary meetings will be welcomed for publication in this column.

together and organized the Burnett Sanitarium Company. Previous to the organization of this company Doctor Maupin had worked with Doctor Davidson, who was one of the pioneer surgeons of this valley. The two men worked together constantly for fifteen years or more doing major surgery. With this extensive experience in surgery, upon the death of Doctor Davidson in 1908 Doctor Maupin became the leading surgeon in the valley, which position he occupied until his untimely death. His genial disposition, together with his unusual skill, combined to make him a valuable as well as a very busy surgeon, and he was called upon to operate not only in Fresno, but in all of the surrounding towns.

Doctor Maupin was a great lover of outdoor sports. He was a most ideal companion on trips of this character, being always more than willing to do his share of the work. I have never been associated with anyone who had the peculiarly amiable and helpful disposition Doctor Maupin possessed. Always pleasant, he did not become excited; an oath was absolutely unknown to his lips. His habits were exemplary; it was very unusual for him to so much as smoke a cigar, and no one I have ever known would go farther or do more to help a friend. Many young doctors throughout this valley, I feel sure, will agree with me that he was a great inspiration and help to them, not only by his advice, but by recommending patients to them and helping them weather many a storm.

The Burnett Sanitarium Company, which he helped to organize in 1900 and of which he was president at the time of his death, has grown by his help from a small institution in a rented building to a modern hospital, with fire-proof building containing more than one hundred beds.

Doctor Maupin was a member of the Board of Medical Examiners of the State of California at the time of his death, and had been for several years previously. He was also a member of the American Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and the Fresno County Medical Society.

And so has passed one of God's noblest men—excellent surgeon, good doctor, good father, and good friend.

D. H. TROWBRIDGE, M. D.

Lazard, who announced a meeting for November 13 to consider a revision of the by-laws.

Mrs. Percy then presented the speaker, Dr. J. L. Pomeroy, Los Angeles County health officer, who gave a most informative description of the work of the county health department.

Doctor Pomeroy is one of the outstanding figures in the United States directly concerned with the problems of health. He has been so for many years, having been chosen as health commissioner by the authorities of Los Angeles County in 1915. At that time he was the only full-time health commissioner west of Ohio—showing the wisdom and foresight, and appreciation of public health, of our county authorities even at that period of our progress.

Doctor Pomeroy summarized briefly the problems of the health commissioner and his department, which are numerous and onerous. Cost of sickness, cost of living, cost of health, and the relative importance and interlocking dependency of all these things were explained with critical and helpful comments and suggestions. The speaker commented that the word "health" does not appear in the Constitution of the United States.

In the matter of the practical application of the duties of health commissioner, Doctor Pomeroy emphatically advocates the establishment of health centers. Los Angeles County is particularly blessed with these oases of hygiene and health education at the present time. Yet we have no Rockefeller Foundation, or similar institution, for helping us with our health problems as they have in some of the eastern states and communities. Yet we continue to carry on by our own resources, and have reason to believe that we are well in the van of progress by comparison with any of the other world health centers.

Doctor Pomeroy extended an invitation to all members of the Woman's Auxiliary for the day of October 21 at the East Side Health Center, a tour of inspection beginning at 10:30 with luncheon at 12, followed by talks on health center activities and an educational film "The Gift of Life."

Doctor Pomeroy was followed by Dr. R. V. Stone, director of department of laboratories, who gave a very brief but most illuminating talk on the sanitation of water protection, with film, "The Story of Water."

The tea hour in charge of Glendale members was a happy success. The table was exquisitely adorned, the pièce de résistance being a great bowl of magnificent tiger lilies. The hostesses were Mesdames R. E. Chase, O. E. Ghrist, C. Duane Miller, and J. Orville Sloan.

CORA YOUNG WILLIAMS,
Publicity Chairman.

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Orange County Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Orange County Medical Association held its October meeting on the afternoon of the seventh at the home of Mrs. Dexter R. Ball, with Mrs. C. D. Ball co-hostess. The auxiliary was fortunate in having Mrs. James F. Percy, state president, as guest of honor. Mrs. Percy said that it was with a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure that she was submitting to us the programs for the year which Mrs. F. E. Coulter, as chairman of the State Program Committee, had worked out: one for counties with a health unit, and one for those without such an organization. She also spoke on the present status of the Sheppard-Towner bill.

Mrs. D. C. Cowles called our attention to Amendment No. 6 on the tax exemption of nonprofit hospitals and urged that we use our individual influence to secure its passage in the coming election.

Dr. E. L. Russell, assistant health officer of Orange County, gave a comprehensive and interesting talk on "Infantile Paralysis." He traced the history of the disease down to the present time, showed its tendency to travel in definite lines, and stated its tremendous cost to the individual, to society, and to the state. He outlined the progress being made in the

treatment of deformities and spoke in detail of experiments now being conducted to aid in its prevention.

The business meeting then adjourned and the members enjoyed a pleasant half-hour around the tea table.

JESSIE QUISNO RAITT, *Secretary.*

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San Bernardino County Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary of the San Bernardino County Medical Society was entertained by the doctors and wives of the State Hospital at Patton.

Members were conducted through many parts of the institution, after which a delicious dinner was served in the new cafeteria.

After dinner Doctor Webster invited the women to remain for their meeting. All preferred to do so, therefore no meeting of the auxiliary. The doctors' meeting was most interesting and instructive, so we felt we were very wise to avail ourselves of the privilege.

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The Woman's Auxiliary of the San Bernardino County Medical Society met October 9 for luncheon at Café Madrid, San Bernardino.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Clough introduced our state president, Mrs. James F. Percy of Los Angeles, who gave us a most enjoyable and profitable talk. She outlined the purpose of the auxiliary, what it has accomplished in other states; also the outline of work to be followed this year by each society of the state.

An open discussion followed and questions were answered by Mrs. Percy.

A short business meeting followed. Mrs. Clough stated that all county societies were asked to have their fiscal year end with the December meeting, and officers be elected at that time. Also the state constitution and laws were being amended and would be ready for our adoption at that time. The present officers were to continue until December. A motion was then made and seconded that we make our fiscal year to conform with the other county societies. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned by motion.

Members then had the privilege of meeting Mrs. Percy informally.

ETHEL E. CURTISS, *Secretary.*

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S. K. MORRISON.....	Trustees

COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

WASHOE COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Washoe County Medical Society was held at the Nevada State Building on the evening of November 11, President Hamer of Carson City presiding. No clinical cases were presented. After the usual preliminaries the president called upon Dr. J. L. Robinson, who presented a remarkable paper on "Atropin and the Eye." The purpose of this paper was that this message might reach the physician far removed from medical centers. Doctor Robinson gave the history of four cases that had come under his observation within the last ninety days, in which possibly all of these cases could have been saved had the proper medical treatment been instituted at once. Aside from the consideration of proper sterilization, which is always conceded to be in order for eye injuries, the important point developed by Doctor Robinson was the

use of the one per cent solution of atropin in the injured eye. In order to prevent iridocyclitis, atropin used sufficiently often to insure a complete dilatation of the pupil. This treatment, in Doctor Robinson's opinion, would restore sight to many eyes which, if not so treated, would become irreparably lost. Statistics on eye injuries give the alarming number of eyes lost each year in the United States, estimated between three and four hundred thousand. Most of these eyes could have been saved if proper treatment had been given early.

Doctor Robinson brought out especially the type of injury known as the "agricultural eye." It seems that sawdust, wooden splinters, and trauma to the eyeball by means of brush striking the eye, produces a very unusual type of inflammation which, unless speedily relieved, is apt to become chronic with very serious results.

Doctor Fuller presented a most splendid paper on the "Pathological Anatomy of the Ear," reciting briefly the most common disease, and gave many excellent points with reference to the proper treatment of the ear. Especially did Doctor Fuller dwell upon the importance of early incision of the ear drum when pain began to manifest itself in the region of the middle ear. An early paracentesis in many cases, by carrying out natural principles of drainage, would cut short a beginning inflammation in that region which would prevent such serious problems as deafness later on, or possibly chronic discharge of the ear. Doctor Fuller likewise dwelt with special emphasis upon the infected adenoids as a means of causing not only future sinus trouble, but also of carrying the infection directly into the eustachian tube which would give trouble in later life, producing deafness and possibly mastoid infection.

These papers were discussed by other specialists present. Likewise by many of the practicing physicians. It was a delightful treat to the society because the treasure box of a rather rare and special type of medical knowledge was opened, much to the interest and enlightenment to the average practitioner.

THOMAS W. BATH, *Secretary*.

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COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

SALT LAKE COUNTY

The dinner meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held at the Newhouse Hotel on Monday evening, October 20, in honor of Professor William J. Kerr of the University of California.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 o'clock by President M. M. Nielson, who introduced the speaker of the evening. Forty members were present.

The title of Doctor Kerr's paper was "The Use of Quinidin in the Treatment of Cardiac Irregularities."

J. E. Felts was unanimously elected a member of the society.

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The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held at the L. D. S. Hospital on Monday, October 27.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-president F. M. McHugh at 8:05 p. m. Thirty-eight members and six visitors were present.

The following clinical program was presented by members of the hospital.

Megalocolon—Surgical Removal, by R. T. Richards. Discussion by J. P. Kerby and E. P. Oldham.

Carcinoma of the Antrum of Highmore, by L. R. Cowan. Discussion by Q. B. Coray.

Acute Atrophy of the Liver, by J. E. Trowbridge.

Rupture of the Uterus, by R. W. Owens.

Skull Fracture with an Unusual Paralysis, by R. Groesbeck.

The following applicants were elected to membership of the society: H. S. Stevenson and Charles C. Stevenson.

M. M. Critchlow, reporting for the Committee on Revision of the Constitution and By-laws, recommended that an additional paragraph be added to Article 3 of the constitution, which shall read:

"Any scientist holding a doctor's degree is eligible for associate membership provided he resides in Salt Lake City. Such associate member shall pay the regular dues, but shall not be entitled to vote or to hold office. He shall be elected to membership in the same manner in which a regular member is elected."

W. F. Beer moved that this report be accepted and that the usual method be adopted in the revision of the Constitution and By-laws. Motion seconded and carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 o'clock, after which refreshments were served.

BARNET E. BONAR, *Secretary*.

Incomes of Physicians in Wisconsin.—The August number of the *Wisconsin Medical Journal* prints a letter from Dr. S. D. Beebe of Sparta, Wisconsin, reporting the incomes of physicians of seven counties of the seventh councilor district of which he is president. He says that he obtained the figures from the income tax department and that they, therefore, represent net incomes. Doctor Beebe writes as follows:

"Two years ago, while discussing a question of medical economics, one of the past presidents of our state medical society asked me this pertinent question: 'Where is the country practitioner who is not taking in \$750 a month or probably two or three times that amount?' That question was asked in good faith and my answer to it, which I herewith submit, is in equally good faith.

"As councilor for this seventh district I have recently completed a survey with relation to the annual net income of all the physicians resident and practicing in this district at the date of the last income tax report.

"Average net income of physicians of:

Vernon County	\$2,980
Buffalo County	2,892
Trempealeau County	3,660
Juneau County	3,717
Monroe County	4,238
La Crosse County	6,086
La Crosse County	8,625

Average net income for the district, \$4899. Number of physicians in district, 116.

Number of physicians with income over \$10,000, thirteen. Average income of these thirteen, \$20,280.

Number of physicians with net incomes of less than \$10,000, 103. Average net income of these 103, \$4379.

Thirty-one physicians of the 116 in the district report a net income of less than \$3000.

Forty-four have an income of less than \$3500.

"Time and space will not permit a comprehensive discussion of these figures and their vital implications. I believe, however, the brethren would be fully as interested in them as in the labored discussion of the 'The canary-yellow lipochrome discoloration of the lasolabial folds.'

"An open-minded study of the figures I have presented will convince almost anyone that those physicians, who are able to make vital hospital contacts, usually have a fair income. The rest, or most of the rest, are just out of luck, that's all."—*New York State Journal of Medicine*, October 1930.